

**Administration on Aging
And
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services**

Aging and Disability Resource Center Grant Program

Organizational Name: Nevada State Department of Health and Human Services

Project Title: Nevada Long Term Care Connection

Total Project Period: 9/30/2005 – 9/30/2008

Total Award Amount: \$750,000

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Project's Overall Design: Nevada's Division for Aging Services simultaneously plans to develop three physical ADRC sites in Las Vegas, Reno and Elko. The physical location of the Las Vegas pilot will be housed with the Medicaid caseworkers under the Division's Community Based Care Program and co-located with the State Health Insurance Program Director. In addition to providing information and referral on long-term care services and targeting Hispanic seniors and caregivers, this ADRC will also provide information about transportation, housing and collaborate with the state Medicaid office to provide streamlined access to public benefit programs. By year two, this ADRC anticipates that its virtual centers will be operational with the Beacon I & R software from Synergy.

Target Population:

- Year One – Persons 60 and older
- Year Two & Three – Persons 60 and older and individuals with physical disabilities

Anticipated Outcomes:

- Increased cost savings in public benefit programs by increasing the selection of less expensive options and by reducing staff time and paperwork via "one-stop shopping"
- Increased satisfaction with the long-term care system and the promotion of enhanced individual choice and informed decision-making
- Uniform, clear information and access to long-term support from one source

Involvement of Stakeholders and Community Based Organizations:

Advisory Board: individuals with disabilities (advocacy groups); seniors (advocacy groups); providers and members from the Senior Strategic Plan Accountability Committee; county government; AARP; adult day care services; long-term care associations; and other state agencies.